Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Sunday 19 Dec 2021 until 23:59 on Monday 20 Dec 2021

Forecast Issued on Saturday 18 Dec 2021 at 16:44 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for dry settled conditions for the next few days, but low for extent and depth of fog in the glens. Moderate for a change to unsettled conditions from later Wednesday or Thursday, but low for any level of detail.

Headline for Sunday 19 Dec 2021: Dry and sunny on the tops. Colder with some fog in the glens.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 19 Dec 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Clear night	Clear night	Clear night	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Clear night	Clear night
Precipitation probability							
00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%

Forecast for Sunday 19 Dec 2021

Weather: Dry with clear skies on the tops. Summit temperatures a few degrees colder than previous days, but still feeling mild for the time of year. A colder day in the glens, with some low cloud or fog, this most likely across Caithness and Easter Ross, but extending further west towards dusk.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 100%, but low cloud often persistent in the eastern glens.

Visibility: Excellent on the summits. Poor in any fog in the glens, often down to a few hundred meters or less. Fog tops rising to around 700m in the evening.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	6/7 NW	8/9 NW	6/7 N	6/8 SW	6/9 N	7/9 NE	6/10 SE	6/9 E	7/10 E
900	5/6 NW	7/9 NW	5/6 N	5/7 SW	5/8 N	6/8 NE	6/9 SE	6/10 E	6/9 E
600	3/4 NW	3/4 N	3/4 N	3/5 N	3/5 N	4/7 NE	5/8 E	5/9 E	5/8 E
300	2/4 W	2/6 NW	1/4 N	2/4 S	2/5 SE	3/6 NE	5/9 E	5/9 E	5/8 E
Glen	1/2 N	1/2 NW	1/3 NW	2/3 N	2/4 E	3/5 N	4/7 E	5/8 E	5/8 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	5/3	4/2	5/3	4/1	4/2	3/-0	2/-0	2/-1	1/-2
900	5/3	4/2	5/3	4/2	4/2	3/0	2/-0	2/-1	1/-2
600	5/3	4/3	4/3	3/2	4/3	3/1	3/1	2/0	2/-0
300	2/1	3/2	-0/-2	1/-1	3/1	2/0	1/-1	1/-2	0/-2
Glen	1/-0	1/-0	1/-0	1/-1	3/2	2/1	2/-1	1/-1	1/-1
Freezing Level*	1500m	1400m	1400m	1400m	1500m	1500m	1300m	1200m	1100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

A good chance of cloud inversions, most likely on the eastern munros in the afternoon.

Forecast for Monday 20 Dec 2021

Weather: Remaining dry. A colder day on the tops. Munro tops are likely to be above the cloud once again, particularly in the morning, but patchy cloud may rise to engulf the summits at times, more so in the afternoon and evening.

Maximum wind: Light and variable.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70% at munro level, 20-30% at lower levels.

Visibility: Excellent above the cloud, but occasionally poor below around 600m in cloud, this may extend above the summits at times, most likely in the afternoon and evening.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 1 or 2 Celsius
At 800m: plus 4 or 5 Celsius
Freezing level: Generally above the summits, but sub-zero air in many coires and glens, particularly in the southwest.

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